

above named. Such arms so furnished shall be carried by each officer and member of the Capitol Police, while in the Capitol Buildings (as defined in section 193m(1) of this title), and while within or outside of the boundaries of the United States Capitol Grounds (as defined in section 193a of this title), in such manner and at such times as the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate and the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives may, by regulations, prescribe.

(R.S. §1824; Pub. L. 92-607, ch. V, §507, Oct. 31, 1972, 86 Stat. 1508; Pub. L. 95-26, title I, §112, May 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 87.)

CODIFICATION

R.S. §1824 derived from act Mar. 30, 1867, ch. 20, §1, 15 Stat. 11.

AMENDMENTS

1977—Pub. L. 95-26 struck out “at a cost not to exceed twenty dollars per man,” after “furnish each member of the force with the necessary belts and arms.”.

1972—Pub. L. 92-607 directed that the arms be carried in the Capitol Buildings and within and without the boundaries of the United States Capitol Grounds according to regulations prescribed by the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate and the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives.

§ 210a. Uniforms to display United States flag or colors

(a) The uniform of officers and members of the United States Park Police force, the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division, the Capitol Police, and the Metropolitan Police force of the District of Columbia shall bear a distinctive patch, pin, or other emblem depicting the flag of the United States or the colors thereof.

(b) The Secretary of the Interior in the case of the United States Park Police force, the Secretary of the Treasury in the case of the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division, the Capitol Police Board in the case of the Capitol Police, and the Mayor of the District of Columbia in the case of the Metropolitan Police force shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

(Pub. L. 91-297, title II, §201(a), (b), June 30, 1970, 84 Stat. 357; Pub. L. 93-198, title IV, §421, Dec. 24, 1973, 87 Stat. 789; Pub. L. 95-179, Nov. 15, 1977, 91 Stat. 1371.)

CODIFICATION

Section is also set out in D.C. Code, §4-127.

AMENDMENTS

1977—Pub. L. 95-179 substituted “United States Secret Service Uniformed Division” for “Executive Protective Service” wherever appearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 201(c) of Pub. L. 91-297 provided that: “This section [enacting this section] shall take effect one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this title [June 30, 1970].”

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Office of Commissioner of District of Columbia, as established by Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1967, abolished as of noon Jan. 2, 1975, by Pub. L. 93-198, title VII, §711, Dec. 24, 1973, 87 Stat. 818, and replaced by office of Mayor of

District of Columbia by section 421 of Pub. L. 93-198, classified to section 1-241 of the District of Columbia Code. Accordingly, “Mayor” substituted in text for “commissioner”.

§ 211. Uniform; at whose expense; Capitol Police

The members of the Capitol police shall furnish, at their own expense, each his own uniform, which shall be in exact conformity to that required by regulation of the Sergeants at Arms.

(R.S. §1825.)

CODIFICATION

R.S. §1825 derived from act July 20, 1868, ch. 176, §1, 15 Stat. 94.

§ 212. Wearing uniform on duty; Capitol Police

The officers, privates, and watchmen of the Capitol police shall, when on duty, wear the regulation uniform.

(Mar. 18, 1904, ch. 716, §1, 33 Stat. 89.)

CODIFICATION

The text of this section was taken from act Mar. 18, 1904, popularly known as the “Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation Act for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905”. Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

Feb. 25, 1903, ch. 755, §1, 32 Stat. 857.

Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 830, §1, 31 Stat. 963.

§ 212a. Policing of Capitol Buildings and Grounds; powers of Capitol Police; arrests by Capitol Police for crimes of violence; arrests by District of Columbia police

The Capitol Police shall police the United States Capitol Buildings and Grounds under the direction of the Capitol Police Board, consisting of the Sergeant at Arms of the United States Senate, the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, and the Architect of the Capitol, and shall have the power to enforce the provisions of sections 193a to 193m, 212a, 212a-2, and 212b of this title and regulations promulgated under section 212b of this title, and to make arrests within the United States Capitol Buildings and Grounds for any violations of any law of the United States, of the District of Columbia, or of any State, or any regulation promulgated pursuant thereto: *Provided*, That for the fiscal year for which appropriations are made by this Act the Capitol Police shall have the additional authority to make arrests within the District of Columbia for crimes of violence, as defined in section 16 of title 18, committed within the Capitol Buildings and Grounds and shall have the additional authority to make arrests, without a warrant, for crimes of violence, as defined in section 16 of title 18, committed in the presence of any member of the Capitol Police performing official duties: *Provided further*, That the Metropolitan Police force of the District of Columbia are authorized to make arrests within the United States Capitol Buildings and Grounds for any violation of any such laws or regulations, but such authority shall not be construed as authorizing the Metropolitan Police force, except with the consent or upon the request of the Capitol Police Board, to enter such buildings to make arrests in response to complaints or to serve warrants or to patrol the United States